

In the Specification

Please amend the paragraph on page 4, lines 10-23, by inserting the following underlined sentence.

In a first family of embodiments, the invention comprehends a personal care article having a longitudinal axis, and comprising a front portion having a front end, a second end, a first side edge, a second side edge, and a fastener receptive area; first and second lateral sections, each having an inner portion, and an outer portion including an outer edge, the outer portion being defined between the fastener receptive area on the front portion and the outer edge of the lateral section, a releasable fastener on the inner portion of the respective lateral section having an inner edge and being releasably fastened to the front portion closer to the longitudinal axis than to the respective outer edge of the corresponding lateral section, the outer portion of each lateral section being attached at at least one attachment site to the front portion inwardly of, but adjacent, the respective one of the first and second side edges of the front portion, the one or more of the at least one attachment sites on the corresponding outer portion, which are closest to the inner edge of the releasable fastener, being closer to the respective side edge of the front portion than to the inner edge of the releasable fastener; a back portion having a back end, a third side edge, and a fourth side edge; and a crotch portion between the front portion and the back portion. Each of the outer portions of the first and second lateral sections can be secured to one of the third and fourth side edges of the back portion to form a pant-like article having a waist opening, and first and second leg openings. Strength of the attachment of the outer portions of the lateral sections to the front portion is less than strength of the securement of the outer portions of the lateral sections to the back portion, whereby the attachments of the outer portions of the lateral sections to the front portion can be separated from the front portion without separating the securement of the first and second lateral sections from the third and fourth side edges of the back portion.